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**Subject:** FW: Rumor about staffing cuts

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**Subject:** RE: Rumor about staffing cuts

Regional Administrator Stepp:

On February 9, 2018, I sent you an e-mail inquiry regarding a rumor about another EPA Regional office that was published in Inside EPA, that potentially had implications for all EPA Regional offices. I have not heard back from you regarding that inquiry. Is there a plan to cut Region 5 staff by 10%?

Can I get a response please? Thanks.

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**Subject:** Rumor about staffing cuts

It has been announced in another Region that they are planning to implement a 10% staffing cut across that Region, and that the same level of cuts would be applied across the Agency. There was an article in Inside EPA on this. What information can you share in that regard? Is there a plan to cut Region 5 staff by 10%?

Thank you.

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